

AN AWFUL SHOWING

Delegate Rodey of New Mexico, made the startling statement before the house committee on territories, that in all the forty years of territorial life enjoyed by New Mexico the records show that the railroads within that territory have never lost a suit at law, nor paid one dollar in damages for loss of life. Mr. Rodey is an attorney, and he made that statement boldly and in a two hours' plea for joint statehood, that was his principal argument. If that be true our sister territory is as badly corporation ridden as is Arizona, and we can see no use of hoping for relief by uniting the two as one state.

A prominent Arizona attorney in searching the records of Arizona courts during our territorial existence discovered that only one case had ever been decided against a railroad company for loss of life, and that was for only \$300. One other case was decided against the railroads but was reversed.

What a commentary upon our courts. What a condition for a supposedly free people, but it looks to us as though the dawn of a new era was being ushered in. The decision of our supreme courts while always in favor of railroads, have at least given the rousing good decision in favor of the taxpayer against mining corporations, but it behooves the people of this territory to be on their guard, and see that the fruits of this decision are not lost by neglect, or corruption of our approaching legislature. Watch the men who are nominated, and defeat the corporation heifers.

That is the only way to save the victory put in our hands by the action of the supreme court. The railroads evidently own New Mexico and Arizona, but the common people will keep on working 'till by and by these corporations will lose their grip.—Enterprise.

The United States supreme court on last Monday granted a motion of attorneys for James B. Howard, the supposed principal in the murder of Governor Goebel of Kentucky, for a stay of execution for thirty days, and Howard will not go to the penitentiary on February 2nd, under the order granted when the case was decided against him. The stay admits of time to prepare a petition for rehearing.

St. John's Herald: The suggestions in the communication from Dr. Rudd, found on another page, are well worthy of consideration by every one interested in developing and improving our part of the country. We believe that the citizens and the authorities of the county will be found willing and ready to investigate and do all necessary to push the matter of a good wagon road to completion. Good roads are a necessity; and this proposed one is of the greatest necessity. It will, in the absence of railroad facilities in that direction, open up a way to markets for such surplus as may be raised hereafter in the county. And it goes without saying that mining towns are good markets for all surplus farm products. We are cut off from these mining towns south of us now, but with a good road leading there, considerable money would find its way here from sales which now cannot be made. The same article appears in this issue of the GUARDIAN.

Group

Begins with the symptoms of a common cold; there is chilliness, sneezing, sore throat, hot skin, quick pulse, hoarseness and impeded respiration. Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, (the child will cry for it) and at the first sign of a croupy cough apply frequently Ballard's Snow Liniment to the throat.

Mrs. A. Vliet New Castle, Colo., writes, March 19, 1902: I think Ballard's Horehound Syrup a wonderful remedy, and so pleasant to take.

Sold by Safford Drug Company, Safford; Thatcher Drug Company, Thatcher; Frank A. Cluff, Pima.

Old Folks' Day

The old folks' annual celebration for Safford and Layton will be held in the Layton church on February 22nd, beginning at 10 a. m. All sixty years of age or over are invited. A good social time is guaranteed.

In the evening a Sunday school entertainment will be given to which all the old folks will have complimentary admission.

A. G. Smith has resigned as cashier of the Gila Valley Bank & Trust company, being temporarily succeeded by H. S. Van Gorder of Morenci.

Just received: a nice line of stationery, school tablets, etc. at Warner's drug store. 50-31

George York and M. E. Crawford of Morenci, spent Wednesday evening in Safford. They are serving the government in the capacity of petit jurors.

A CHESS VILLAGE.

How the Game Became the Ruling Passion of Strobeck.

In a plain of the Harz mountains, a few miles distant from the quaint old town of Halberstadt, Germany, lies the village of Strobeck. The history of Strobeck and its people has for hundreds of years been associated with the game of chess. It is a veritable chess village, says the Royal Magazine, a nursery garden for that ancient game.

From earliest childhood the boys and girls are made familiar with board and men. At school chess is treated as an obligatory subject and is taught systematically. As soon as pupils have mastered the moves and the rules of the game they are encouraged to undertake the solution of chess problems and to invent new ones, just as an English schoolboy is set to making Latin verse.

At Easter there are chess examinations and tournaments among the school children. Three awards of honor of the shape of chessboards bearing the inscription, "The Reward of Industry," are given by the village community. These tournaments are attended by lovers of chess from far and near. During the last half century several chess congresses of wide interest have also been held at Strobeck.

From a very early time the Strobeckers have had the privilege of challenging to a game of chess any prince or nobleman or exalted personage who happens to pass through their village. In the year 1651 the great elector of Brandenburg was challenged in this way and in memory of the event presented to the villagers a carved board and a set of silver chessmen, still preserved.

How chess became the ruling passion of Strobeck has never been ascertained, but the legend most generally believed sets forth that in the eleventh century a famous political prisoner was confined in an ancient tower which still stands in the center of the village. Time hung heavy on his hands, and being a lover of chess he begged for a set of men. None was to be had. Then the prisoner carved a set for himself.

But he must have antagonists. One by one his warders learned the game. The peasants of the village were taking turns to guard him. Soon they all knew how to play, and all became enthusiasts.

A Wasted Effort.

A celebrated continental specialist, to whom time was literally money and who was possessed of a fiery temper, made it a rule that patients should address before entering his consulting room so as not to waste any of his valuable time. One day a meek looking little man entered with all his clothes on. "What do you mean by coming in like that?" said the doctor in a rage. "Go and strip at once!"

"But I"—faltered the man. "I tell you I've no time to waste," yelled the doctor, and the poor man left the room in haste. When his turn came he re-entered the room. "Now, then," said the doctor, "that's better. What can I do for you?"

"I called to collect your subscription for the benevolent society."—London Tatler.

Compensated.

The epigrams of Voltaire, the French philosopher, were often ruthlessly sarcastic and severe. He could, however, exercise tact and gentleness, and, as is usually the case with brilliant persons, those qualities became him wonderfully well.

He met the famous statesman Turgot and cordially inquired about his health.

"It is as you see," replied Turgot. "I am tormented with gout. I can hardly drag my feet about."

"You remind me of the statue of Nebuchadnezzar, M. Turgot."

"Yes," assented the invalid sadly, "you are right, poet; the statue had feet of clay."

"And a head of gold," cried Voltaire warmly; "remember that, a head of gold."

What She Saw.

Mme. de Cornuel went to Versailles to see the French court, when M. de Torcy and M. de Seignelay, both very young, had just been appointed ministers. She saw them as well as Mme. de Maintenon, who had then grown old. When she returned to Paris, some one asked her what remarkable things she had seen. "I have seen," she said, "what I never expected to see there. I have seen love in its tomb and the ministry in its cradle."

Lime-water.

It is well known that lime-water has a beneficial effect on the growth of children, and in countries where the drinking water is impregnated with salts of lime the men are apt to be tall. An English medical authority states that for a perfect sanitary diet alkaline water is needed for every person who eats heavily of meat, and this means nearly every one excepting the vegetarians.

AT THE Cyclone Store



Our sales have been enormous in Men's and Boys Clothing section. We still have lots of Clothing left. Our special

15 PER CENT DISCOUNT

sale will continue for two weeks longer in order to further clean up the stock

Respectfully,

J. M. Foster,

"Advertiser of Facts."

Are You Tied Up

To Some Uncongenial Occupation?

Do you feel that you could succeed better at something else and yet hesitate to break away from what you are doing now and take a chance in some new employment?

No use to do that. Just as well keep on at your present job, and spend some of your leisure time preparing for something better. It is our business to show you how this can be done, and help you to do it—if you want to be helped.

Our course of instructions are thoroughly practical. We furnish the text books, outline the method of study, and correct your lesson papers. You can proceed as rapidly or slowly as your time permits. Your progress will depend to a large extent on yourself.

There is no trick about this; no slight of hand. It's simply a case of a little work and perseverance on your part and a good deal of work and intelligent direction on

our part. Simply a straight proposition. If you want to know more about the proposition, it won't cost you anything to find out. Just sign the coupon, enclose it in an envelope and mail to us. We will tell you, without expense to you, how you can qualify yourself to fill the position you want.

The Standard Bred Stallion

Meridian

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Will make the season of 1906 at

Safford,
Solomonville
Thatcher
and Pima

Terms: Season \$15
Single Service \$10
To insure \$25

Service fee due at time of Service

Geo. H. Birdno



Shoes that wear

We carry the Star Brand Shoes. They are sold as cheap as any shoes on earth, that are honestly constructed. When you buy a pair of our shoes, that means all leather. Do you need a pair of good shoes? Women and children shoes a specialty.

Geo. Jacobson
Safford, Arizona

Look your chicken coops. The "Owls" of Safford, will be out Saturday evening.

A D McLean and wife to Met calf Improvement Co., deed, \$100; 19 dwellings in Metcalf.

WANTED—By Chicago wholesale and mail order house, assistant manager (man or woman) for this county and adjoining territory. Salary \$20 and expenses paid weekly; expense money advanced. Work pleasant; position permanent. No investment or experience required. Write at once for full particulars and enclose self-addressed envelope. Chicago & Co., 127 1/2 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.

Solomon Commercial Company

Between the Seasons

We are now just between the Winter and Spring seasons. Our Spring goods will soon be here and we must take advantage of the time before their arrival to

Make room for new stock. All our lines of Dress Goods, Underwear, Clothing, Shoes, Dress and Work Shirts and Furnishings are placed on Special Sale This is a Money Saving Time to Purchase

Solomon Commercial Co.

SOLOMONVILLE, ARIZONA

..February.. Clearance Sale... For Two Weeks --Only--

Commencing Saturday, February-10, 1906

In order to make room for our large stock of Spring and Summer goods, which will begin to arrive in a few days, we are going to give you some

Sensational Bargains

Economy is the key-note of our talk. This is the time when it is true economy to spend money, and extravagance to save it. Consider the quality, its only when you do that, that the true significance of this wonderful sale is realized. Read every offering carefully, for there's interesting saving news for you. But at the same time bear in mind that the first buyers get the choicest selection. Be one of them. Come early Saturday morning and bring your friends

\$1.25 Ladies' Kid Gloves, fine quality all colors, per pair 75c; 35, 40 and 50c Ladies' Stock Collars, your choice, for 25c. 50c. 75 and \$1.00 Ladies' Black Silk Belts for 35c. \$1.50 and \$1.00 Ladies, white and gray all wool Suits, sale price \$1.00 and 75c. 35 Ladies' Knit Vests and Pants, sale price, each 20c. 35, 40 and 50c Infants all wool Vests, each 25c. 50 and 75c Ladies' fine cashmere hose, per pair 40c. 35c Ladies' wool hose, per pair 20c. 25c Children's wool hose, sizes 6 to 8, 12 1-2 cts. Infants White Silk Caps, beautifully embroidered, retails regularly for 75 cts, price for this sale, 45c; 40 c Silk caps, good quality, for this sale, 25 cts; Fleishers Shetland Floss, white and colors, 12 skein for 75 cents.

All short lengths of ribbon, measuring from 2 to 3 yards will be put on our remnant counter at half price. Short lengths of embroidery, from 2 to 6 yds go at half price. The same in lace and trimmings. You will find excellent bargains in Outings, Prints, Shirting, Silkoline and Dress Goods, and many other lines.

\$1.50 Men's Felt Hats, for this sale \$1.00; \$2.00 Men's Felt Hats, for this sale, \$1.25; \$1.25 Boys' Dress Hats, 75 cts. 40 and 50c Boys' Wool Caps, sale price, 25; \$1.25 Men's Working Gloves, per pair 75 cts. 75 cts Men's Working gloves, per pair, 40 cts

MEN'S LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES

We have a strong line of these goods, all the latest styles and makes. You will find them on display on our bargain tables and prices will be greatly reduced. The variety of different kinds would take too much space to mention, but bargains on these goods will be a money saving proposition for our customers.

NOVELTIES!

8 inch dressing combs, 10c 7 tin pie plates, 25c Large dust pans, 10c 17 quart dish pan, 25c Large egg beaters, 10c Large granite wash bowl, 25c Wire egg beaters, 5c Brass Monarch washboard, 40c Perforated chair bottoms, 10c 4c brooms, 25c Stamped milk strainers, 10c Large vegetable dishes, 25c 3 quart stewkettle, 10c Large decorated turquoise, 35c Le Pages Gine, 10c Large size platters, 25c Fancy comb cases, 10c Large decorated napkins, 25c Long-handled fire shovel, 10c 6 cakes fine toilet soap, 25c 2-quart cups, 10c 3 rolls toilet paper, 25c 20c flour sieve, 10c 6 spools Coats cotton, 25c Large cake pan, 10c 3 boxes Shinolite, 25c

BOSTON CASH STORE

J. R. WELKER, Prop.

Go to P J Jacobson's for Groceries--New Stock

Sardines 5 cents a can, Potted Ham 5 cents a can, Best Red Salmon in oil, 12 1-2 cents a can. Seltz and other make of shoes.

Mens and boys hats from 35 cents and up.

Pants and Shirts for large men, any shape.

Best Harness, 3 inch tng, \$35.50. Chain Harness from \$12.50 per set up.

Hardware, and in fact everything from a needle to a hay stack.

I buy from Manufacturers for cash and sell for small profits.

Dental Work

At your own price at

Dr. Belt's

\$10 Full upper and lower set of teeth

\$5 Single set of teeth

Gold Crowns \$3.50 Teeth extracted by absolutely painless method. Office one door north of old bank.

Documents Filed For Record.

Following is a list of documents filed for record at the County seat and compiled by Abstracter Fred Dyanart:

Robert L. Duanagan and wife, to Joe McAlister, deed \$10, lot — in blk 4 Duncan.

Joe McAlister and wife to W E Spaw deed, \$10, same.

W D McKeehan et al, to W E Spaw, deed, \$50, 2 acres in ne 1-4 sw 1-4 sec 19 tp 8, s r 32 e.

W D McKeehan et al to Joe H McAlister, deed \$50, 2 acres in ne 1-4 nw 1-4, ne 1-4 sw 1-4 sec 19 tp 8 s r 32 e.

Gila Valley Bank & Trust Co. to Paul Becker, release of mtg. \$4,000, on Last Chance mine.

Paul F Crowley to M Z Elliott, power of atty. to sell "Corn Planter" group in Greenlee dist.

J M Van Order locates Annie Laura on Bonita creek.

John H Williams to Chas E Finch and wife, release of mtg. \$300, on 280 acres of bees.

W W Dauron and T E Moody, locates Limestone mine in Limestone canyon, 1 mile east of San Francisco river.

O L Poor to J E Blakeney, bill of sale \$600, frame house No 864 A 2 Co. Morenci.

J E Blakeney to J B Job, bill of sale \$725, same.

P C Little, Probate Judge to Chas Brook, deed, lots 3, 4 and 5 in blk 10 west Clifton.

Leonidas Sanchez and wife to G F Webb, deed, \$500, 44 acres in se 1-4 sec 36 tp 6 s r 27 e.

J F Cleveland locates Matte, Tamarack and files amended location of Corona No 3 in Copper Mt dist.

Roulo Chavez files proof of labor on Anita and La Fortuna in Copper Mt. dist.

R R Webster of Clifton, Ariz., files bond as road overseer of dist. No. 6.